

Reading 2002, Grade 4

Reading Composite

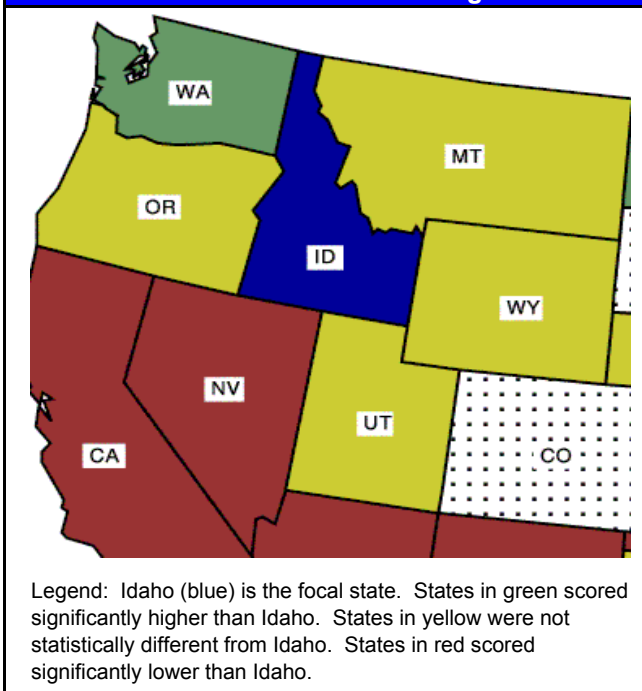


Idaho NAEP Snapshot

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The Reading assessment of the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) used multiple-choice and constructed-response questions to examine reading comprehension in two contexts: Reading for Literary Experience and Reading to Be Informed. The reading scale scores ranged from 0 to 500, where 208 is a *Basic* performance, 238 is *Proficient*, and 268 is *Advanced*.

Reading in the Northwest (Average Scale Score)



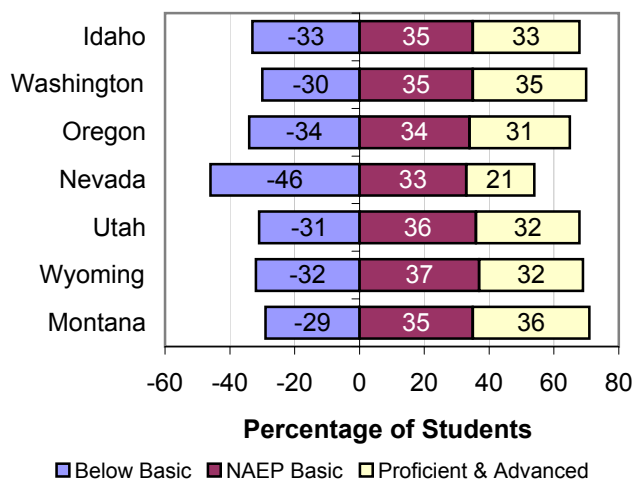
- ◆ In 2002, the average scale score for 4th grade students in Idaho was 220. This was higher than that of students across the nation (217).
- ◆ Idaho 4th graders had a higher average scale score on reading in 2002 than their peers in Nevada.
- ◆ Idaho 4th graders had an average scale score on the 2002 reading assessment that was not significantly different from Oregon, Utah, Wyoming, and Montana.
- ◆ Idaho 4th graders had a lower average scale score on reading in 2002 than their peers in Washington.

Percentage of Students at NAEP Achievement Levels

◆ Sixty-eight (67) percent of Idaho 4th graders scored at or above *Basic* on the 2002 reading assessment. This was higher than the nation (62 percent).

◆ Idaho had a higher percentage of 4th graders than Nevada scoring at or above *Basic* on the 2002 reading assessment.

◆ The percentage of Idaho 4th graders scoring at or above *Basic* on the reading assessment in 2002 was not different from 4th graders in her bordering states of Washington, Oregon, Utah, Wyoming, and Montana.



Comparisons are based on statistical tests (.05 level) that consider magnitude of difference and standard errors.

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